GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR and RD Department Allegation of irregularities in the execution of CC road works at Kummapalli (GP), Singarai (GP), Chamalapalli (GP) and Vallampudi (GP) of Vepada (M), Vizianagaram District – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri A.Chandru Naidu, AE/MEO, MPP, Vepada (M) – WSD submitted – Charges held proved in the Regular Enquiry – Explanation received - Imposition of penalty of (2) two Annual Grade Increments without cumulative effect under Rule 9 (iv) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Orders – Issued.

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2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada, has forwarded the WSD of Sri A.Chandru Naidu, the then AE/MEO, MPP, Vepada (M), dt:21.6.2018.

3. Government have not satisfied with the Written Statement Defences submitted by Charged Officer and decided to conduct regular enquiry into the matter against the charged officer and also against two (2) other co-charged officers involved in the case. Accordingly, in the reference 4th read above Govt. appointed Sri M.Krishna Reddy, Superintendent Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Vizianagaram District, as Inquiry Authority to conduct enquiry into matter. Subsequently, Govt. appointed SE, PR, Vizianagaram (by designation) as Inquiring Authority to conduct inquiry into the matter vide reference 5th read above, since Sri M. Krishna Reddy, SE, PR, Vizianagaram & E.O was transferred to WG District.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the SE, PR, Vizianagaram & Inquiry Officer has submitted inquiry report dt:15.07.2019, wherein the Inquiry Officer held that charges are held proved against C.O. Sri A. Chandru Naidu, the then AE/MEO, MPP, Vepada (M).

5. In the reference 7th read above, Government have communicated copy of the inquiry report to the charged officer Sri A.Chandru Naidu AE/MEO for his representation on the findings of the Inquiry Officer.

6. In the reference 8th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada has furnished representation dt;9.12.2019 of Sri A.Chandru Naidu, MEO/ AE, wherein the C.O has stated that the deviations / deficiencies pointed by the V&E on all the works ie, Rs.14,70,374/-was recovered from the respective G.Ps and remitted to Govt. account and thus there is no loss. Further, the Presenting Officer has furnished satisfaction report over the work executed. He has stated that quite number of works under MGNREGS scheme have been taken up simultaneously at that time on time bound basis and he had taken adequate care in execution of works. The works were executed through the Sarpanches and the Sarpanches not having adequate technical knowledge and thus certain deficiencies were found, but not due to negligence of departmental officers. The C.O has requested to consider his representations and drop further action against him by taking a lenient view.

7. Government have examined the matter and observe that the charged officer being the primary executing officer, should have taken utmost care while executing the works. The Vigilance & Enforcement conducted inspection over the works and pointed out various deficiencies in the works causing loss to Government. After such inspection by the Vigilance only, the recoveries made good and hence, the contention of the Charged Officer that there is no loss to Govt. is not tenable and he can't be absolved from the charge proved. The

charged officer failed to discharge his legitimate duties while executing the works and responsible. Hence, his contention to drop further action by taking a lenient is devoid of merits.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter, have decided and accordingly, hereby order to impose a punishment of withholding of (2) annual grade increments without cumulative effect against Sri A.Chandru Naidu, former Mandal Engineering Officer/ Assistant Engineer, Vepada, Srikakulam under Rule 9 (iv)of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 in the matter.

9. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Sri A.Chandru Naidu, MEO / AE, MP, Vepada, Srikakulam District **through** the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the orders on the individual and furnish the served copy to Govt., for record)
Copy to:
The A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
SF/SC.

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SECTION OFFICER